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The Brass Helmet

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New Arrival: 1983 Magirus Iveco TFL

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The Queensland Fire Museum is operated by the Fire Brigades Historical Society of Qld Inc, and is located at YMCA Old Petrie Town, Dayboro Road Kurwongbah.

It is open to the public Sundays from 8am to 1pm.

New members Welcome

Postal: Fire Brigades Historical Society Qld Inc, YMCA Old Petrie Town, Dayboro Road Kurwongbah QLD 4503

Memorabilia

A large range of firefighting memorabilia is available from the Queensland Fire Museum.

One of our specialities are brass and alloy cast items as shown on the right. Apart from the hose coupling, all items are produced exclusively for the Museum by local craftsmen.

All items are available for sale or produced to order from the Museum.

Prices are:	Brass	Alloy
Firefighters Axe	\$180	\$90
Half Helmet	\$25	\$17-50
Full Helmet (small)	\$35	\$25
Full Helmet (large)	\$45	\$35
Half Coupling	\$90	\$60



Also available is a large selection of fire fighting photographs in both postcard and cigarette card sizes. These can be purchased in sets or as individual cards.

These outline in photographic history the early days of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade through the Queensland Fire Service, Queensland Fire Service and the Queensland Fire and Rescue Authority eras.

Several of these appliances are on display at the Museum, including the 1958 Mack, 1959 Dennis TTL and the 1939 NSW Dennis Pumper.

A small selection of the postcard sized items is shown on the right. Should you wish to purchase items and are located outside Brisbane we can organise postage for you.



The Society was begun in the early 1980's by a small group of energetic firemen. After an enormous amount of time and effort and after several moves the Museum was established at what was originally known as North Pine Country Markets, now YMCA Old Petrie Town. There are two buildings, a replica Fire Station and the main Museum building.

The collection embraces all fire services; industrial, commercial, rural, military and of course the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service with the aim to preserve the history of fire fighting.

We have currently 14 historically significant fire appliances, including our newest addition, a 1983 Magirus Iveco DL37 Turntable Ladder recently donated by QFRS that was stationed at Southport.

The Museum (by appointment) can also cater for birthday parties, weddings (on the grounds) and bus tours.

Entry to the Museum is by coin donation which will help us achieve our goals along with restoring and repairing our historical fire engines and equipment. If you can help in any other way we would greatly appreciate your assistance, new members are always welcome.

Full Membership is \$10-00 per annum or Family \$15-00. Social Membership is \$25-00.

You do not need to be a current or past serving firefighter to join, membership is open to anyone with an interest in preserving our fire fighting history.

1983 Magirus Iveco Turntable Ladder

QFRS History: Fleet no 640, delivered new to Burleigh Heads station 33 in 1983. Kindly donated to the Qld Fire Museum by QFRS in March 2009.

Ladder Model: Magirus DL37, 37 metre (120 feet) reach, four section.

Pump: Magirus Deutz, 2270 LPM

Engine: Deutz air cooled V8 turbo engine 232 HP.

Transmission: Allison MT643 Automatic

In 1975 Magirus Deutz was purchased by Iveco. By 1983 when this TTL was purchased the company was known as Magirus Iveco, but this forward control cab design was destined to be deleted from the range in the same year. Air-cooled engines were also being phased out with the last one produced in 1988. The Magirus name still continues with fire appliances still produced, but it refers to the fire fighting equipment and not the brand of truck.



Last of the line. This 1983 Magirus Iveco was the last turntable ladder on the QFRS Fleet. It is now on permanent display at the Queensland Fire Museum.



Queensland Fire Museum



Above: 1940s Breathing Apparatus on display at the museum.



Above: Horse and cart fitted with fire fighting equipment.

Below: Replica of a 1940s Fire Station dormitory has been added to the side of the replica fire station at the Museum

